

TRANSITION MUSIC

10 INT. JEANNE AND FANCHON'S FLAT IN ST. SERVAN - NIGHT 10

PLATES ARE BEING CLEARED

109 MARIE JAMET

Virginie, that trout was delicious!

110 VIRGINIE

Thank you, Marie. I'm glad you liked it.

111 JEANNE

So did Anne and Isabelle.

112 FANCHON

They certainly did, Jeanne. I should go check on them now.

SHE GETS UP FROM THE TABLE

113 JEANNE

I'll come with you, Fanchon.

JEANNE GETS UP. THERE'S A SUDDEN POUNDING ON THE DOOR

114 FANCHON

Who in the world could that be?

115 JEANNE

I'll go see...

SHE CROSSES TO THE DOOR, OPENS IT, LETTING IN A BLAST OF WIND AND RAIN. OUTSIDE, A VERY ILL WOMAN IS COUGHING

116 JEANNE (CONT'D)

Oh dear, come inside, quickly!

THE WOMAN, MADELEINE, COUGHS AGAIN AS JEANNE HELPS HER INSIDE, CLOSING THE DOOR BEHIND HER

117 **MADELEINE**

(weakly)

I heard you're taking care of two elderly women...

118 JEANNE

Yes, we are.

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119 **MADELEINE**

I'm only twenty seven, but I'm ill
and... I've no one to help me.

SHE COUGHS AGAIN, VIRGINIE COMES OVER

120 VIRGINIE

Come over by the fire and get warm.

VIRGINIE AND JEANNE SUPPORT HER TO THE
FIREPLACE, WHERE SHE WARMS HER HANDS

121 FANCHON

Let me take off that wet coat.

SHE DOES, THEN BRINGS OVER A CHAIR

122 FANCHON (CONT'D)

Here, sit down.

MADELEINE SITS

123 JEANNE

What's your name?

124 **MADELEINE**

Madeleine. Madeleine Bourges.
You see, there's a tumor growing in
my breast and I know I'm dying. But
I have no one to turn to in my
final days. If you help me, I'll
leave you all the money I have,
such as it is.

125 JEANNE

Don't worry about money. We'll help
you.

126 **MADELEINE**

Then, can I stay?

127 JEANNE

Of course you can stay with us.

128 **MADELEINE**

(relieved)

Thank you!

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129 FANCHON

Jeanne...